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SUBJECT: MEETING OF LA HEADS OF STATE IN PANAMA - JUNE 1976

1. WHILE I WAS SEEING FONMIN FRED WILLS NOV 10 ON OTHER MATTERS, HE SAID THAT HE WAS ABOUT TO RECEIVE A SPECIAL EMISSARY FROM PANAMA WHO WAS ARRIVING BY PANAMANIAN AIR FORCE JET. PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO EXTEND AN INVITATION TO GUYANA'S PRESIDENT ARTHUR CHUNG AS HEAD OF STATE TO ATTEND A MEETING OF ALL LA HEADS OF STATE TO BE HELD IN PANAMA IN JUNE 1976.

2. WILLS SAID HE ASSUMED PANAMA'S OBJECTIVE WOULD BE TO RALLY SUPPORT FOR THE PANAMANIAN POSITION ON THE CANAL NEGOTIATIONS, AND PARTICULARLY TO SUPPORT ACTIONS THAT PANAMA MIGHT AT THAT TIME BE PROPOSING IN THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL. WILLS WAS NOT ABSOLUTELY CLEAR REGARDING THE OSTENSIBLE FOCUS OF THE MEETING, BUT SAID THAT IN THE CASE OF GUYANA AN INVITATION TO THE HEAD OF STATE WAS OBVIOUSLY MISDIRECTED SINCE THE POSITION HERE WAS LARGELY CEREMONIAL. HE THOUGHT THE INVITATION WOULD INCLUDE THE FONMIN, AND HE ALLOWED HE WOULD NOT MIND A BRIEF SOJOURN IN PANAMA, WHICH HE HAD NEVER VISITED.

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